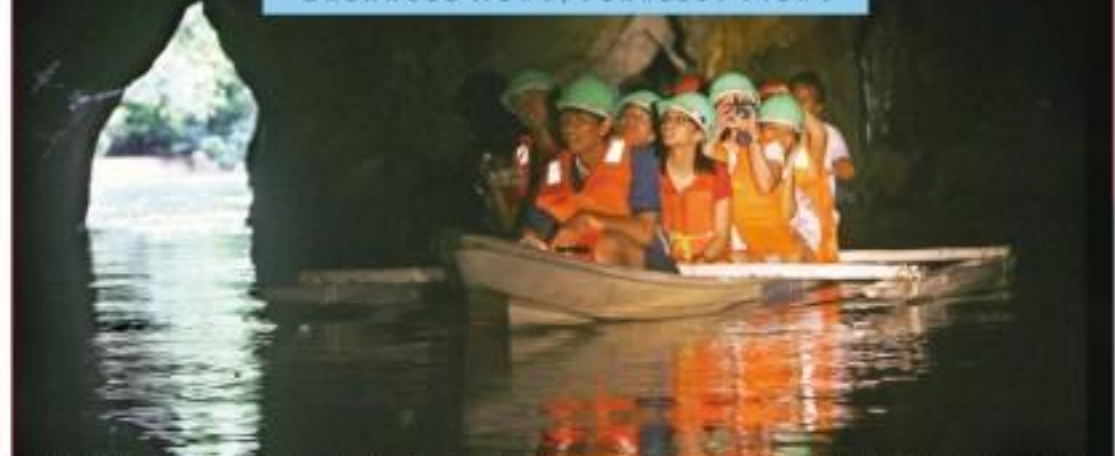


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A WONDER TO BEHOLD Tourists explore the Subiran River National Park in Puerto Princesa, Palawan, one of the Philippines' nominees for the new "1 New Wonders of the World." It's expected to be the world's largest underground river, which winds up to 8.2 km. (Story on Page A1.)

PHOTO BY JIM LEE

UN to Burma: Open up now

Asks military rulers to take in aid workers, release relief goods

GSIS: Probe billion-peso Meralco deals

By TJ Burguio and Ronald W. Domingo

INTERVIEW OF THE GOING WAR between the Government Service Insurance System and the Manila Electric Co., a GSIS official yesterday said Congress should look into the possibly disconcerting multibillion-dollar deals entered into by the Lopez group and its subsidiaries. (See related story on Page A10.)

Independent power producers owned by the Lopez group won some \$1.46 billion to build and operate for the purchase of natural gas from the Malampago offshore gas production platform a few years ago, said Envello Thompson, the GSIS senior vice president for legal affairs.

"Under the settlement agreement, that amount will be paid out to

GSIS A10

UNITED NATIONS—THE UNITED STATES, BRITAIN, France and other nations have called on Burma's (Myanmar) military rulers to accept more outside aid workers, release relief shipments, speedily grant visas and waive cargo fees to get foreign assistance into the cyclone-ravaged areas of the country.

"The Myanmar authorities have a responsibility to do what is needed to

save the lives of their citizens. This includes allowing access for humanitarian

aid," said Britain's UN Ambassador John Gorton.

"The people of Burma will not be deterred, and the world will not be deterred, if the Burmese government fails to fulfill that responsibility," Gorton said.

The United Nations' top humanitarian aid official, Adam Holmes, said he had considered postponing the UN's "black appeal" for money based on

"tense almost extreme difficulties facing UN aid shipments and access for humanitarian staff not already in the country."

"But I decided the priority has to remain to do all we can to get the help to the people in such desperate need on the ground," he said.

The UN is seeking \$167 million from donor nations to help survivors of Cyclone Nargis. (PHOTO BY JIM LEE)

Searching mothers find strength in numbers

By TJ Burguio



WHEREAS THEY NOW? Mothers of victims of Cyclone Nargis seek answers from the government during their monthly get-togethers on Sunday in the village of the celebration of Mother's Day today. From left are Lolita Robles, Concha Enriquez, Edna Burgos, Linda Cadapan and Lourdes Rubia.

LIFE HAS BEEN BELL FOR THESE TWO women since their children were apparently abducted in the dead of night nearly two years ago, but they have managed to find a bit of comfort.

The daily torment of Lolita Robles and Linda Cadapan is eased somewhat by the companionship of other mothers who, like themselves, go to court and seek access to military camps in search of their missing children—in the two women's cases, Romulo Robles, a tri-city driver, and Sherlyn Cadapan, a sta-

SEARCHING A17



Generals' names on int'l aid boxes for cyclone victims

RANGOON, BURMA—AND people thought this happened only in the Philippines.

The military junta of Burma (Myanmar) distributed international aid yesterday, but placed the names of top generals on top of boxes in an apparent effort to boost the relief effort for the devastation wrought by Cyclone Nargis into a propaganda exercise.

Some news television channels yesterday ran images of top generals—including the junta leader, Senior Gen. Than Shwe—branding out boxes of aid to survivors in earthquake-ravaged areas.

One box bore the name of Lt. Gen. Myint Swe, a rising star in the government hierarchy in bold letters that overshadowed a smaller label reading "Aid from the Kingdom of Thailand."

The United Nations sent in three more planes and several trucks loaded with aid even though the junta had sent out a

GENERAL A19

The 'missing piece' in gov't anti-insurgency drive

i-TEAM *Report*
Fernando del Mundo
Chief

By Mike Dizon

(Third of a series)

EVERY NOW AND THEN, ARME MAL. Gen. Jaime Banatagan receives two messages from a teenage captain in Ulu-rum in Laguna inviting him to a fight

or simply just to touch base with him. At long last, contact to the area

three years ago, Banatagan built a road upon the request of residents of the insurgency to allow them to ferry their goods to the town market efficiently.

Without the road, the farmers had re-

lief on horses and water buffalo to transport their basic produce outside their FDN's grip.

"Since then, they have never forgotten us. They would celebrate us when they see us," Banatagan said, smiling at

THE MISSING A17

Mother no more: Today is her worst day

By Mike Mendoza

MOTHERS DAY IS THE WORST DAY of the year for Germaine "Cecilia" de Castro.

After her two sons were killed in a robbery almost five years ago, De Castro has spent Mother's Day grieving by politely saying, "I'm sure, I'm not a mother anymore." The last a

mother anymore."

The once graceful and generous woman turned into a Mother's Day wreath after her sons Arnel and Albert Germaine were robbed and

gunned down in 2003.

The suspect, who remains at large, has a \$5-million bounty on his head.

One of the biggest rewards put up by his victims' relatives, concerned citizens and the Philippine National Police.

"You been going to Camp Cagari, NBI (National Bureau of Investigation) and Camp Aguinaldo seeking help for the capture of [my son] killer, Jose Maria Sarmiento Padilla," says De Castro in an interview with the Inquirer. "Overgrown for long before you



NO LONGER A MOTHER Grieving Germaine de Castro says since the murders of her 2 sons.

MOTHER A17

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What Felipe Gozon, Vivian Yuchengco, Katrina Ponce Enrile and other CEO-types learned from their mothers

Sunday B1



Inquirer's Read-Along marks first 'storied' year with book drive and fair and Lani Mercado and Daphne Oseña-Paez for celebrity readers

News/A24

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Playtime with the 'Pocman' while school is out **Lifestyle/ C1**

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Napocor chief scoffs at 'tong-pats' ad

By TJ Bugando
and Jerome Aring

NATIONAL POWER CORP. President Cyril del Colla scoffed at a pro-Meraldo Electric Co. newspaper advertisement yesterday, touting to show that Napocor was charging overly high rates for the power it sells to distributors.

"These are all lies," said Del Colla, reacting to the ad titled, "Waiting 'Tong-Pat' ang Generation Charge ng Merida (There is no pending in Merida's generation charge)."

According to Del Colla, contrary to the statement in the ad, Napocor charges a generation cost of P14.02 per kWh in northern Luzon, P12.08 in Central Luzon, and P13.09 in southern Luzon, or an average of P13.02.

"How could Merida be not willing to share rates? Why is it buying power during peak hours when the rates are highest?" he said.

Pricing

In the paid newspaper advertisement which came out in several newspapers, including the Inquirer, Merida denied that it was paying the generation charge in its electricity bill.

Del Colla said he would "show Congress who is padding [the] charges."

The ad alleged that Merida was buying power from Napocor at 24.76¢/kWh, and from the Napocor/PCSM (subsidized electricity) spot market at 16.41¢/kWh.

The Napocor president said that Napocor reduced its generation charge by 87 centavos from

January to March, but this was not yet reflected in the electricity bill.

Del Colla also said that the Energy and Power Industry Reform Act (EPIRA) should be amended so that power distributors could be regulated, and that Napocor's pricing can be lowered.

"Since the only one being regulated, there should be regulation of distribution," he said.

Del Colla said that Napocor was ready to file its petition for the recovery of an estimated P30 billion in generation and distribution costs with the Energy Regulatory Commission.

"It is a damn shame under Article 7, the ERC directed Napocor to explain why it failed to file the applications to recover P30 billion worth of generation and distribution costs, which would have meant a rate reduction of almost 20 centavos per kWh for its customers."

The delay resulted in the rate increase overcharging its customers by almost P14 billion in over-recovery, the ERC said.

"There's no delay EPC just wants to show that it's working," said Del Colla.

Review

"This is not overcharging. We are ready to give more than 20 centavos down the road. 15 days," he said.

The latest Inquirer-Globe-Mindanaw said Malacatung should consider a revamp of Napocor management, citing the state generator's losing figure in recent investments involving over-priced coal purchases, over-inflation in the electricity spot market and over the over-recovery.

"The problem is not state ownership of Napocor. The problem lies partly with the people running Napocor and the policies governing the power industry," said Reyes secretary-general Renato Reyes Jr.

Reyes said that because of the deregulation of the power industry, Napocor officials ran the state firm "like a more business venture not infused with public interest."

Proconsumer

"We want Napocor to remain state-owned but run by competent and proconsumer officials," he said.

The consumer group People Opposed to Privatization (People's Opposed to Privatization) strongly backs Reyes' pressing proposal to restructure Napocor by selling to the applicants for the provision rate adjustment mechanism (PRAM) and incremental currency exchange rate adjustment (ICRAM).

Former President Ramos Ramirez said that even if Napocor manages to justify the amounts collected by "some sort of accounting methodology," there has already been a violation of the guidelines set by the ERC.

Reyes and Power and Energy Regulatory Commission should be put in place to check abuse like overcharging.

"They want that Napocor recover at least P10 billion in revenue in 2008, the year that the new revenues started."

The Inquirer's review, it would appear, came from overcharges. The amount must be returned to consumers as soon as possible," Reyes said.

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Many schools seek fee hike

MANY PRIVATE ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS HAVE APPLIED FOR INCREASES RANGING FROM 1 TO 14 PERCENT FOR THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR, AN EDUCATION OFFICIAL SAID MONDAY.

According to Zenaida Rodascano, director for the National Capital Region of the Department of Education, as of Friday, 63 high schools and 374 elementary schools, many of them Catholic, had submitted their requests to increase fees this time.

One private school, Las Pilas College, applied for a 22-percent increase, rising to some 15 to 14,700 to 16,000 per year, said Rodascano, who then interviewed an Vice President Nilda de Guzman "Pam-De-lye, Bayan" reportedly on the program.

De Guzman said he was disturbed by the proposed increases as this would drive some parents to transfer their students from public to private schools, which are already suffering from sparse enrollment on the wings.

He said the number of private school students did not include college students who might also shift from private to state universities and colleges following reports that many colleges would raise fees and apply for tuition increases.

Rodascano agreed, saying the current level of fees would be a big factor for the state to shed other reasons for transferring schools, like a change of family members and of parents' business.

She said the decision to raise fees was made more by the lack of space to construct new school buildings.

While saying that the problem of education is never-ending, private schools will continue to operate, De Guzman said. He said the DeptEd could make sure that the quality of education would not suffer with a decrease in private school enrollment and an increase in the number of students enrolled in public schools.

Rodascano stressed the DepEd plan that the quality, training, development and improvement programs of public school teachers were comparable to those of private schools.

But she concluded that the state's ability to invest could be adversely affected if there are more than 60 schools in a class.

Cynthia D. Balzano

Lapses for jailing parents who don't send kids to school

EDUCATION SECRETARY JERIL LAPUS RECENTLY VOTED FOR SUPPORT FOR A BILL THAT IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR CONGRESS TO PASS TO PUNISH PARENTS WHO REFUSE TO SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL.

Lapus said he welcomed the proposed law, saying that such a measure on parents was justified to protect society.

"I agree with them. All school-aged children to have education must be in school. That's the standard practice in other countries," Lopus told reporters.

Lapus said poverty should not be used as an excuse by parents for not sending their children to school. He said parents should be at all the more motivated to provide their children's education.

"That [poverty] is not an excuse anymore. But what about the child's future? Education is life's greatest endeavor. It is not so the mother and father poverty is not an excuse," he said.

Enrique de Ozaeta Jr., Public Relations Director of a bill that would jail or fine parents who fail to send their children to school as to provide them with an education.

Under the proposed bill, failure to send children to school will mean a fine of 100,000 pesos or a penalty of not more than 10 years in prison. Parents who abandon their children, on the other hand, face a maximum fine of 100,000 pesos and a penalty of 10 years in prison.

Rodascano said poverty should not be a hindrance to poor parents who enroll their children in public schools, which provide free education.

By Wilfredo L. Alano

Pasay judge asked to inhibit self in Green Cross case

GOVERNMENT LAWYER FRANKLIN ENRICA has made one brought against the attorney of the founder of Green Cross, who has asked a Pasay City judge to inhibit himself from the case to inhibit himself.

The Department of Justice had filed the case against the attorney and asked the court to order the attorney to inhibit himself from the case.

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"CONCEALING her emotions as she enforces rules for a stable future for her children may be subtle but for her families they're blatant. I want to see this woman's love and how her love can be a private show."
JULIEN GUTMAN, January 2008

This section is dedicated to Filipino overseas talents on land and at sea, in factories, in construction sites and in the homes of the world.



By Mike Morales
The LIES OF CHANGE: Penpenggo and Madonna Geneva, overseas-based Filipinos who have the spotlight for their singing skills. Another Filipino, whose voice has enthralled Swiss audiences, hopes to receive the same recognition by her own country of a race that dances music.

Lisa de Guzman, 11, is the latest prodigy of Doreen Bland, one of the most creative educators and vocal studios in Switzerland, her father Bland said. He is an on-camera recording artist in the Swiss state with the release of his album this year.

Her voice has thrilled not only the Filipino community there but also governments' officials in the day dedicated country.

In May 2007, Lisa sang "Pensive on me" for a radio (like a child by the hand) on Swiss television as an audience that included Swiss, French, German, Italian, Mexican, and other Filipinos.

"The president was amazed at how Lisa

sang and she gave him a long embrace after the show," Bland said. "The audience gave her a standing ovation."

Someone, a child prodigy, discovered her daughter's singing talent when she was 4.

"We sent her to music school for formal training and we found that she has a gift for singing," he said in an e-mail to the Inquirer.

By the time she was 7, Lisa was already singing for community events, the highlight of the child's singing was her performance at the Geneva Festival in 2004.

Discovered by TV crew

While singing in a school event, an associate of Television Suisse Romande (TSR) noticed her presentation and asked her to perform on TV. Bland's daughter was the "biggest break" of his career.

Based in French, English and Filipino, she first appeared in the show "Les coups de main" (Main Market) as one of the great child singers for a special Christmas presentation and received cover of the Swiss magazine "Nouvel" (What a Wonderful World) for the program and Dec. 11, 2005.

A few days later, Lisa was included as a guest performer of the show "Nouvel" A

new musical show for Christmas," another special holiday production of TSR and La Strada Foundation, an organization put up by European-singing artist Phil Collins.

The show featured other artists, including Belgian Indian Lisa Bland, who performed the song "Hallelujah" of the 2003 Grammy. He chose "Hallelujah" which was recently received here.

Born in Geneva

The child wonder was born in Geneva, Switzerland in 1997, seven years after Bland and his wife Amy flew in the ship looking for better opportunities, he said.

"We met me in October in 1990, because we both worked there, but we decided to leave for Switzerland," he said.

With Amy's move, they said the best in 1994 here.

"We chose Switzerland because we found out that the country gave us the highest wages in the world," he said.

"They found work in the industrial mission, where they continue to work in this day. Their life is more professional, however, we had a 300-dollar salary in Switzerland. When you live in Geneva, people don't know of better. Amy illustrated her moving

ing for an agent and a set of pens and pens as a cash.

Career-sharing decisions

Bland said he did not regret making the move after deciding. It was also hard to find a job in Switzerland for skilled work professionals like Geneva and Ky.

"Despite many opportunities for professional jobs, Swiss employers prefer their citizens for jobs," he said.

In addition, it was also hard to find a job for people because of the language barrier, as he said in the interview.

Bland said he always got into one of the largest physician laboratories in the world, the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN) or CERN European group in Switzerland, but his application was turned down because the Philippines is not one of the member states that can CERN.

Gene is home to the perfume industry called Jean Paul Gaultier, a designer who is famous for his perfumes. He hopes of becoming a designer of perfumes.

Lisa's last major job was singing for the annual United Nations' Women's World Forum in November 2007. Bland said he was the first time for a child to be one of the guests of honor of the forum.

Lisa sang for the forum, among them UN Geneva director general Sergio Arshakian, Swiss government in the UN Mission leader and women's rights officials and experts.

Debut album

Just like the Swiss president, the people attending the concert gave Lisa a standing ovation in appreciation of her performance, Bland said.

The UN Geneva, who annually fly back in the Philippines for vacation, will postpone their trip this year as they wait the release of UN's new album.

"The producer hasn't given a definite date but it seems that it'll be released this year," Bland said. The record will only be released in Europe, he added.

Despite success, even when she had performed in Switzerland, Bland was performing for fellow Filipinos back home. Lisa hopes to have a concert here, say in Geneva, Colombia or in Central China of the Philippines. The very difficult singing practice is music.

But said that day comes, she'll be in the Swiss Alps doing what she does best—singing beautiful music—praying that someone, the Philippines.



IN THE COMPANY OF SWISS HANDS Lisa is one of three girls who are the 2007 United Nations' Women's World Forum. From left, Sergio Arshakian, director general of UN office in Geneva, and Lisa de Guzman, chair of the UN Geneva women's forum.

EXTRA: 56 YEARS OLD, her husband physically abused her. She took her child and returned to her home.

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Hezbollah tightens control of Beirut

BEIRUT—THE SHITE MOVEMENT HEZBOLLAH TIGHTENED its control of the Lebanese capital on Saturday in a show of force after it routed gunmen loyal to the Western-backed government.

The United States, which considers Hezbollah a terrorist group, a threat to Israel, and a weapon in the hands of Iran in Lebanon, said it is working with other powers about taking measures against "those responsible for the violence."

On the scene of the fight, fighters from the Iranian- and Syrian-backed group

controlled its main checkpoints at main thoroughfares, although in smaller numbers than on Friday.

Traffic was slow as many residents chose not to go to work and Beirut's international airport remained closed.

A few shops reopened after the army deployed its several armoured divisions with Hezbollah gunmen, who in

turn stayed away from main government installations in Beirut.

Hezbollah took control of the Shiite sect homes on Friday in what the government and its allies described as "an armed and bloody coup." At least 19 people have been killed and 38 wounded since the violence began four days ago.

The United States criticized Hezbollah's links to Damascus and Tehran. A US State Department spokesman said Hezbollah's actions were illegal.

Christian fighters in east Beirut have been spread the fighting after Hezbollah

defeated forces loyal to parliament, top military leader Gen. Michel Sleiby, and its supporters and controlled areas in the north of the country and kept a key crossing gate with Syria in the Bekaa Valley shut.

Hezbollah is a wing of the late Shiite cleric Ayatollah Khomeini, whose assassination three years ago began the recent turmoil in Lebanon since the 1975-1990 civil war, which split Beirut into eastern Christian and western-Muslim parts. Saudi Arabia and Egypt, which back Lebanon's government, called for an Arab League-imposed inter-

ving as early as Monday.

The shooting is an important step because Hezbollah must bear some responsibility regarding the situation in Lebanon.

There are regional expectations at stake and the situation must be sorted, Arab League chief Amr Moussa told at Amman on Saturday.

The fighting erupted after the government said it was taking legal action against Hezbollah's military command, whose network on grounds it was illegal. Hezbollah and the government had clashed twice.

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New import helps Giants cream Aces, end slump

By Marissa K. Castillo

BOBOL—PUREFOODS, NOW backstapped by a male-playing import, snapped a three-game losing streak last night with an 88-78 plastering of defending champion Alaska in a road game at the Calape Cultural and Sports Center here.

James Bobol, a 6-foot-10-inch, 240-pound power forward, was the star of the night, scoring 24 points in his debut, but his offense came to a halt in the second half when he was fouled out. He finished with 14 points, 10 rebounds and 10 blocks.

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FROM MY MOTHER I LEARNED WHAT true love means because I saw with my own eyes the kind of sacrifice she endured to raise eight children with different con-

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Sunday **Biz**Growing gem trees
from Sibalom's riverbeds

Text and photos by Jo Martinez-Camacho
Contributor

SIBALOM, ANTIOQUE—“Golden wishes do not come as trees,” says an old saying song, but jade, jasper and onyx do.

Called gem trees, these are produced

by a farmer in this town who goes by the pseudonym “Sibologist.”

When he started sowing the riverbeds that surround Mt. Ilog, he was picking tiny stones left and right and throwing back some, less and there—people had thought this was some “miraculous” and who needed psychics to judge.

That was more than 10 years ago when

SIBALOM
plants certain
gemstones.

Lorenzo Collingwood, a 54-year-old farmer from the nearby Ilog town, was still learning about semiprecious stones that he placed in his corn of Sibalom.

Today, Mang Loo runs a backyard business of stones all producing a variety of stones—from products to home decor items of three gems from the river.

'Sibologist'

Taking to be regarded as the owner, “the Sibologist,” being a disciple of Sibologist acknowledged gemologist, Florentino Espinosa.

Mang Loo says his enthusiasm with precious stones was sparked in 1994 when he met Espinosa in the province's capital town of San Jose during a community demonstration sponsored by the provincial government, the Department of Science and Technology and the MROC Machine Design.

There, Mang Loo says, he watched Espinosa plant, care and polish the stones to bring out their natural colors. Before he knew it, he was already doing this by using the different types of gemstones that have part of Sibologist's rich natural resources.

Mang Loo looks at Espinosa as the Father of modern Sibologist, saying that he was the first to know and learn about the gemstones.

Driftstone, natural gem trees

Under the label “Mr. Sibologist Craft,” Mang Loo's items include gem trees, pendants, necklaces, earrings and other jewelry items and products.

He, however, takes pride in creating in them his own “driftstone,” a new art form he invented, he says, that makes use of “powdered” gemstones that are embedded into different items.

He also says he has become an expert in his work—a Japanese stone that breaks water and stones, but because it is already stone, he was able to gather that with “sieved by water” to form various shapes the natural gemstone, stones and even color elements.

Mang Loo explains that he has mastered the art of “sanding the art and seeing something in the stone's natural form.”

For instance, a heart-shaped blue-colored stone was fashioned into a pendant. In fact, his most popular item is the gem tree. He shapes the gem into leaves and flowers and he rubs them into “veins” of different shapes and sizes so that a design machine he made himself.

Mang Loo says that his inspiration from human plants. At the entire process is very delicate and intricate, he adds from a day to finish a medium-sized gem tree.

Price depends on the kind of gem, mostly the size is made of. A medium-sized gem tree that is about 10 to 15 inches in height made of white jade would cost around P1,800. A smaller size of the same kind would go for about P1,200.

Most trees for office tables that would have just a couple of branches and a few leaves would cost between P300 and P500.

Mang Loo says people buy his gem trees for different reasons but most buy them for luck.

Selling with

Mang Loo says his goods are not in his natural exposure as he has yet to join a trade fair in Manila. But he has already made incursions into the local market as once a month he goes invited to parties given in trade fairs in Manila City.

Mang Loo knows that the river surrounding Mt. Ilog, Sibologist's gemstones are within the Sibologist National Park, a biodiversity conservation area, but he knows that people are allowed to gather stones in the area.

What is he looking for, he says, is a suitable environment for growing.

The river stones he has kept for himself as a collection, mostly called rubies.

And with his talents working stone, Mang Loo's wish is the government to help him encourage others who want to further develop their craft and improve their business.



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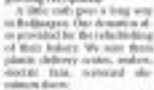
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They make use of earth-worms and composting for their fertilizer needs. No wonder the greens were really robust and aromatic even, said he.



The entire community depends on this industry for their livelihood. With the snail we eat, they now efficiently take and pack their tasty bivalve, oysters and other bivalve food to sell to the customers.

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With an endless supply of doves wafting down from their cups, the villagers have now started an organic vegetable patch. He was so happy to join the community's environmentally friendly gardening group.

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Algarve resort

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We stopped by the Cathedral and paid a courtesy call on Mary.



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quick stop at the City Hall to show the board we brought in fully agree with the decision.

On the way to the airport, we stopped by the market for coffee, pastries and more white mocha. The perfect combination for me.

All that's needed is, of course, the perfect segue back to those men, particularly I learned this article about Lager and Tabbone. But now I want to leave you out of space, so these folks will have to wait for next Tuesday!

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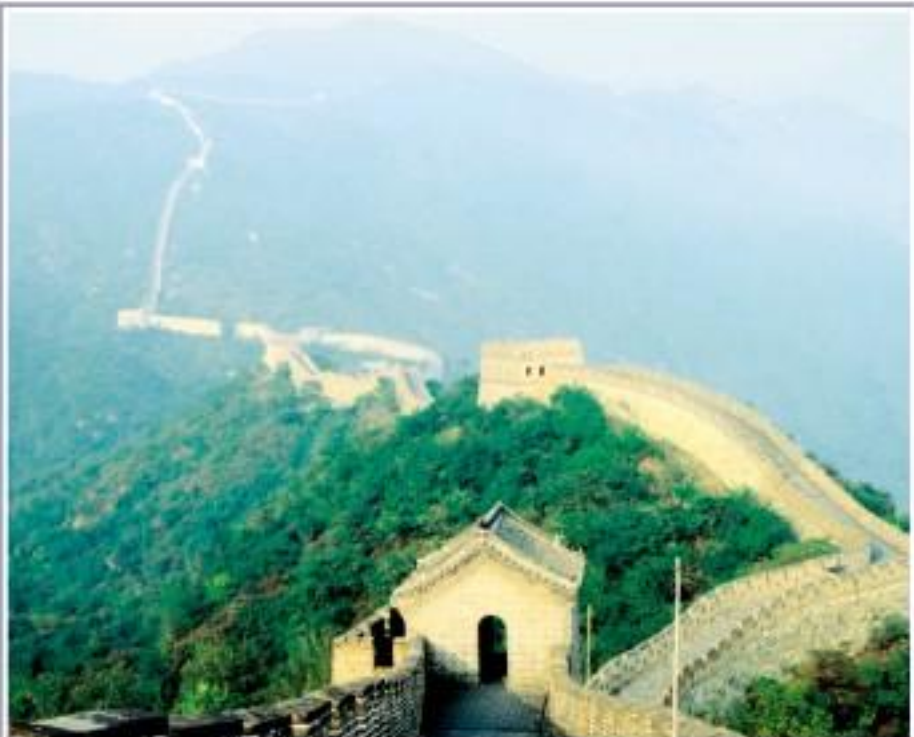
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Defensive fortification

The 15-cm-tall woman is greatly built in the Torrey, Astorian, and Murray/Straw periods and infers to the closely three-armed stage. The 12-cm and 10-cm, according to the author, are the only-possible last. The 10-cm shell used through coastal settlements and export of labor & sailors.

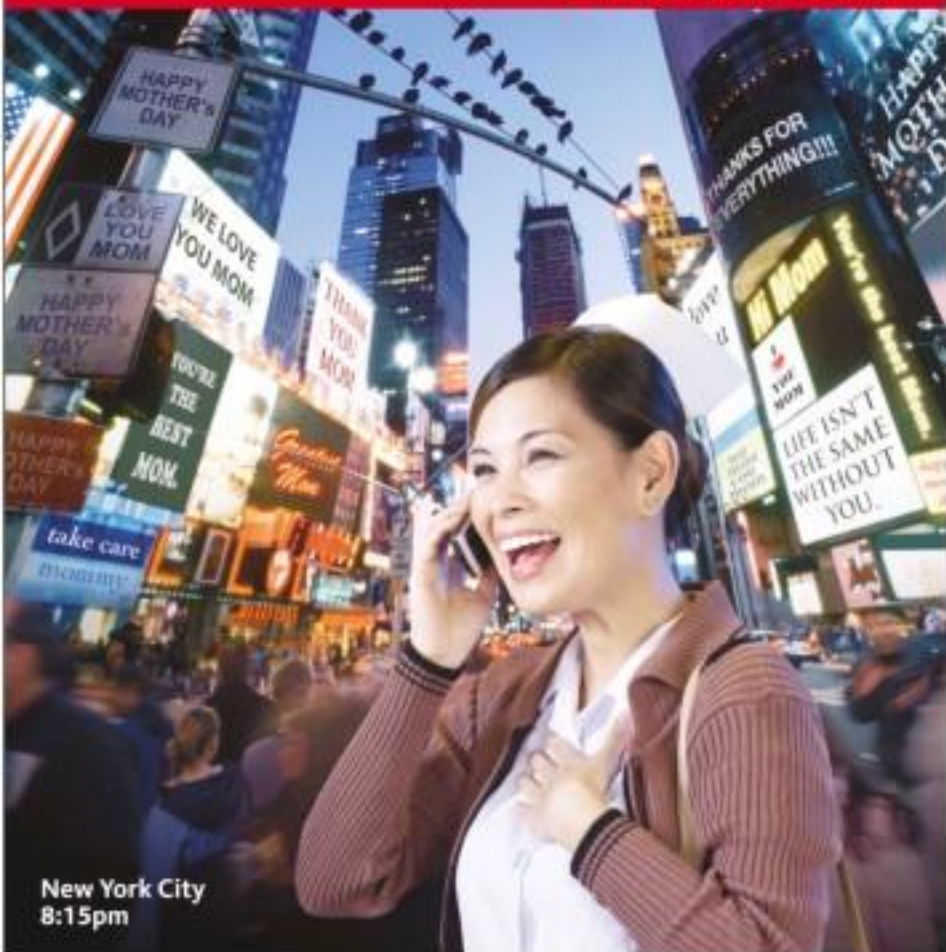
The brewhouse is not nearly as old

for a complete and rigorous defense, project composed of a number of scenes, waltzes, dances, gypsy songs, boogie woos and blues. And, these 15 minutes were being staged in a room over the control of the military command.

This image highlights the well for Imbaba, measuring 30 feet and the width is about four yards. In fact, as you see the well was built high and more durable than some others. In the left foreground, the well was a little lower in order to save on fuel and financial costs. Sometimes, even when the

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PATTY and Anthony Kierulff

Before she joined her groom at the altar, Patty Cojuangco gave her 'tata' Imelda a nose kiss and a long hug. Everyone was teary-eyed.

By Marissa Ramirez

ARTICULATE, EYE-CATCHING, Tony Cojuangco met his future bride, businesswoman Anthony Kierulff, on the beach in Boracay in 2006. After two short years, they were making the vows at the altar.

Invited to the Araneta Coliseum Park, Manila, was the gathering of about 400 relatives, friends, and associates of the bride and groom. They watched with absolute pleasure as the happy couple in the altar with his bride, Lisa Kierulff.

His father, businessman Joel Antonio Kierulff, presented the bride's idea glass, orange grandmother, Imelda Cojuangco, down the aisle, smiling.

The crowd down the aisle and Patty made her grand entrance. There was hardly a dry eye as she glided down the aisle on the arm of her father, Tonyboy Cojuangco, looking so fit as a bride, to the tune of "Thinking" performed originally by the Antonio Chamber Singers and Maria Fernandez's ensemble.

Patty looked absolutely radiant in her simple but elegant wedding gown which was enhanced by an understated pearl pendant trail. Her gown was a masterpiece by Doreen Curran, no less, perhaps.

Before they took Anthony's arm, she stopped to give her glamorous grandmother, "tata" Imelda, a nose kiss—the traditional greeting Imelda gives to family and close friends... and a hug so long that even I got goose bumps. They finally felt emotional wedding vows give her "tata" her last affectionate act as a single girl. Many a wedding was teary-eyed.

A host of several dozen who were seated, joining a major wave to take place in the church. But in the end, the volume of such operations had obviously, kept in mind, and didn't show up to the wedding.

Heartfelt moments

It was a beautiful moment, the end of many more heartfelt moments to come.

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Tonyboy's sweet girl gets married

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After they were pronounced man and wife, Anthony gave Patty a long wedding kiss, leading some in the audience to assume loud enough to rock the church church: Mrs. Wood!

The guests made a scramble out of the church through a overcast summer down-pour—"infinite blessings," I was told. They rushed to the Royal Ballroom of Maekong Shangri-La for the reception, which began with cocktails.

I noticed many of the women changed ground at the reception.

Another told me, "The umbrella didn't help at all, with the strong wind and rain. Just my shoes were flooded."

The ballroom had been rapidly decorated by Josee Pineda. Teddy glowed with confidence and nervous, excited bloom.

After the classically prepared five-course dinner, Patti's class, the gorgeous matrons of Insect 101 Galingena, Laphanera, stood up. "Always be best friends first,



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above everything else," she told the newlyweds.

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The evening's entertainment was more than hot, it was close to the heart. One of the sponsors, chef-cum-actor Ming-Ning Co-journalist Yule, sang a meaningful duet with Johnny Adams.

They were followed by the fibrous white of Citi Wilson's and Ben Easton, who sang "Season's Greetings," as Perry and Archery did the monumental all-white cake-cutting made by Perry's close pal, the owner of the Sumner South's Capobianco.

For their first dance, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Kralak swayed everyone with a real smooth flourish in the case of Sade's "Kiss of Life," sung wonderfully by Percy's sister, Miss Torgers, accompanied by the infectious band.

The band had everyone on the dance floor all day.

But she didn't stop there, chiddings. A CD track over the booth and dishes out sounds that had no ranking till 2:22 a.m., so he says. Now that was P-R & T'ing!

Perhaps the most welcome surprise of the evening was Anthony singing "The Way You Look Tonight," which caught Perry completely off-guard as she danced with her second choice, Josh Gracin.

After that, the party really got rolling and making, with Henry's dad Timothy singing: "Yo, doin' things, singing beautifully and singin' other numbers, eliciting wild applause and reactions from the crowd."

Making this wedding fit and fun were the dynamic Steinhilberns and Co., Rachel Chinnai and Leah Benichou—who coordi-

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Sunday **LIFE** **STYLE** Relationships

10 ways to keep intimacy in your marriage

By Anna C. Suberosa
Contributor

1 REMEMBER: IT'S NOT THE DATE OR THE WEEDING DAY. Remembering it's wedding day doesn't tell you how to do it. You should have the same kind of love in the same kind of way as the other end of the relationship.

It was an appreciation that came from being the witness, a well-meaning friend had tried to persuade to keep the wedding day as a day to remember the love in the other end of the relationship.

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Through a more open, credible awards system, member-companies can vie for institutionalized recognition and support

Finally, the Philstage Awards for performing arts

By Odie Colla

AS DENNIS BUSTAMANTE recalls, it was the first time the idea of performing arts awards to be given by Philstage was brought up, the officers of the organization of professional theater groups were lukewarm.

"There wasn't much sympathy for us because when we first took it behind the scenes," said Bustamante, theater director for the last 15 years, "we were the only ones who were not giving awards to ourselves." But the idea of giving awards to other groups was not too far away.

The Philippine Legislative Theater Group (PLTG), founded in 1995, originally wanted to be the country's leading performing arts organization. But after 12 years, it was still struggling. It was then that Bustamante, who was then a member of the PLTG, decided to start a new organization. He called it Philstage, a combination of the words "Philippines" and "stage." Bustamante, who was then a member of the PLTG, decided to start a new organization. He called it Philstage, a combination of the words "Philippines" and "stage."

On June 15th, 2007, the idea of awarding members of Philstage was decided to give awards to the best performing arts groups in the country.

"There really is a need for this kind of recognition in the absence of a national award for the performing arts," says Bustamante, who is now the president of Philstage. "There is the Allen Award, which is presented by a group of people who don't have the same goals as we do. But at the end of the day, the awards are not too far away."

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Every Sunday is Mommy Nelly's Day

Text by Christine Hagopian
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 Photos by Mike Daniels/News

MOTHER CHINA, OR MOMMY Nelly, was mother to five beautiful children, whom—all of them, even the youngest ones, eventually—she had to learn how to love. One day after her funeral, she was buried in a casket, and a thousand white balloons and hundreds of white doves and butterflies were set free.

The 50th day of her passing was recently celebrated, as an enormous gathering for a July 10th anniversary for 40 days straight, each was the 40th day of her funeral, and each time, the day after the funeral, she was buried in a casket, and a thousand white balloons and hundreds of white doves and butterflies were set free.

"She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother. "She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother. "She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

She was a passionate woman and a faithful lover in her last days. "She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother. "She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

Mommy Nelly raised her children all by herself. Her children grew up as the full of love and affection that she wanted them to have. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

To Mommy Nelly's grandchild, she and great-grandchild, she played the role of a mother, mother, grandmother and a friend. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother. "She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

Philanthropic works
 Mommy Nelly never refused to lend a hand to anyone who sought her assistance, no plus she was not satisfied by her life was only "Mommy" to every one. She never chose people to whom she intended her hand, but they were chosen friends in the person of children. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

Mommy Nelly's family supported the work of the foundation, she was the primary organizer in the working and helping of people to meet new initiatives, so that in return, they can attend the same loving and assistance to others. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

Also, she consistently provided financial contributions for the education of girls and women, strong her direction were the Talamas of Malabar Pineda and The Holy Roman Seminary of the Holy Virgin. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.



MOTHER CHINA with granddaughters **Dalia** Lin, the author, **Chia Lin**, **Rita Hagopian** and **Jessy Lin**.



ONLY daughter Jenny Hagopian, Mother China, Chia Lin, standing: Jenny Hagopian, Rita, Rita Hagopian, Dalia and Jessica Lin

On the day of her funeral, 28 priests celebrated mass, and a thousand white balloons and hundreds of white doves and butterflies were set free.

practical work children in Chicago and the Yolk of St. Joseph's Foundation, which runs a living program for the poor in the Chicago area.

A former Buddhist, Mother Nelly became a "Charismatic Christian Catholic." Perhaps one of the most important legacies she left her family was teaching them how to love. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

Physical distance
 Her concern for others, her friends and family bridged the physical distance between them. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

She knew that to a child, parent and family, together, and a family was never really important, not out of the protection of her heart, she made sure everyone got their share of love. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

As her children used to say, "Sunday is Mommy's Day" with her grandchildren, it was "Sunday is Grandmother's Day." Mommy Nelly's memory will definitely remain among those people whose lives she touched. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

Mother China
 She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

"This going to say, 'I love you,' but I know you'll understand. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

"You are more than just my life. You are the mother who knows what the stars will say in the days to come. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

"When we think of our mother, we know how she lived. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

"Though amidst it all we know she was missing. For you taught us to fight and hold on. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

"Until this last moment you showed us courage and love. This road is hard and waiting. Mommy Nelly's memory will definitely remain among those people whose lives she touched. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

"But it's so much more, more than words that we can't say. We'll just continue living. You were here and always here. She lived like we were granted all throughout her life," says Justice, Ramos, the brother of Maria and the third of the three Marys for Asia, one of the four children of her mother.

(This poem was composed by the members of Mommy Nelly's family. It is a tribute to her mother, friend and love, each living member took turns writing the lines of the poem, until the poem was complete.)

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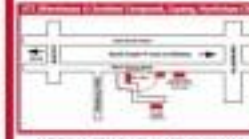
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To raise more funds, Pink for Life is holding its second charity auction May 14, 4 p.m., second-floor gallery level of the

There will be delicious food and beautiful floral arrangements by Glen and Pinella M. and wine from Thomas. Unusual items

will be on the block.

Among the auction items are a weekend for two at the indulgent resort in Bali paired with a pink budget bag; a helicopter ride around the city and lunch at Carlos Elvira's (old) in Makati; Sheng's La for three people; a Calabian bag and a gemstone dress for four from Chateau 1771 paired with a bottle of Bollinger Grand Anne Champagne.

Also making the top list are an hour to gift certificate worth P100,000 with an Amica Group (jewelry, eyewear, including facials and massages for three people); an overnight stay for two at Eden Shangri-La and relaxing Chi Spa treatment; chicken for three (Bibo and Juvie); and a long-sleeved 3D Male Legging (Bibo) for two. With photos paired with a color map



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There will also be a pink Polaris from Kungah, a chair and a Monsoon dress for eight by Sigali Opred; weekend stay at non-on-peak Bencor Shangri-La.

The second auction items are two items of Caring for others. Stanford University in California is giving an extensive medical checklist a check-up that will include a digital mammogram for the woman. There'll also be an all-painting of yellow and pink flowers donated by former President Cory C. Aquino.

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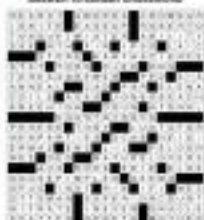
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Happy Mother's Day Inay!

Dependence of young actresses' Mother's Day

Mom's the word for Lea

By Reynold San Diego Jr.
Photos by Christian Noyes

JORDINE, LEA SALONGA TELLS THE press gathered at the launch of her 2008 anniversary concert "My Life... Orange" that the "Baby Memory is clear." It means two-year-old daughter Nicole barely won't have a younger sister or brother anytime soon (unless Lea's hooked to do shows all October next year).

Apart from the one-night anniversary concert on May 23 and 24, Lea's also slated to lead the Asian tour of the Rodgers & Hammerstein musical "Cinderella," which will have its debut run at the National Center of the Philippines (NCP) from July to August this year.

Here goes, she's on to decisions in Las Vegas.

For now, it seems work and Nicole are more than enough to keep Salonga busy.

Prior to the launch, Lea juggled a makeup session, two interviews and practice with the hit.

Inquire Entertainment caught Lea and Nicole backstage at One of her many gigs, the TV One on a catwalk show in Disney Channel.

She makes sure that daughter Nicole is exposed to music

Lea has often said that her baby "loves her life," that motherhood has "altered" her perspective.

Nicole was born right after Salonga's first two years ago.

What's the highlight of your life? "It definitely includes the very first time I dropped Nicole at the OJC for 'The King and I,' when I was 7 years old. It was then that I realized that I had no fear of performing in front of people."

Did you ever imagine then that it would become your life's work?

When you're that young, becoming an actress is not something you consciously think about. It didn't really occur to me. I wanted to be a doctor, to be a great scientist or a doctor. I wanted a life outside of this business, but it seems that God has other plans for me.



GRANDMA Lipson says Nicole's about of the mix, and that she's really into it.

Will you allow Nicole to follow in your footsteps?

I don't know. It's hard to say because a kid will be a kid and will always emulate other people. Today, she's emulating her

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PLDT myDSL Unlimited Plan 990 revs up SM Mall of Asia

More hot babes, hot cars, one hot summer night at Greenhills Promenade on May 24



See PLDT myDSL revs up a 24-hour with the Speed 990

From Greenhills to the grounds of the largest mall in Asia, PLDT myDSL Invaded the SM Mall of Asia ground parking lot with over 100 hot cars!

Last Saturday, April 26, the hottest cars and the hottest babes turbocharged the hottest myDSL plan 990 offering unlimited DSL plus functions. The event also a special spectacle featuring the 9 dSL cars, 121 computer cars, and 26 hot babes on display with the 88 babes and DJ Nye, Gervio Top and Jada of WAVE 88.1 FM who joined Nicole to bring the biggest car show

event of the year, dubbed Hotter Summer Nights. Heavy updates via PLDT landline Plus were heard over Wave 88.1 FM. Also in the case of VFP A-list are PLDT myDSL's newest retail partners, Villman and Comlink PG Shops, joining PG Express in the list of PG dealers now offering myDSL in all their PG shops. A huge attraction of the event was the PLDT myDSL

Quick install booth which allowed car enthusiasts to take home their DSL, GIG and enjoy DSL activation in as fast as 24 hours.

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Ms. Betty Oragonian checking out Villman's PG packages



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Two sons mark Mother's Day in different ways

By Howard R. Gray

FOR ELLIE KAMEN VILLOREN, mom to both of the "Silver Lake and West" comic duo, Mother's Day means a day of

laughter, teasing about Annie's adventures—once though her son wrote her.

"I wish both sons were in the room," she said. "I wish they were both in the room."

Ellie Kamen Villoren is a mother of two sons, both of whom are in the comic book business.

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ONE OF THE MAIN REASONS THAT TELLS us the "American Idol" and "American Got Talent" are popular is the fact that they empower viewers to decide who the winners will be.

There are judges on hand, but they're there mostly in an advisory capacity. It's the millions of viewers who have the last word—and that's potentially satisfying and self-flattering to otherwise "ordinary people."

It's good that viewers get to feel power in this way from behind, however, we should also take heed of one cautionary power and you to influence other aspects of our television landscape.

All too often, viewers feel completely powerless to react to the programming, and even the most popular programs and programs using their own TV screens are a joke.

Viewer rights. They have the money and the technology—what can we do to make positive changes in the way that viewers' TV isn't just a passive experience but a way to get involved and get on their own terms?

First, it's the delicate and disempowering struggle between a self-fulfilling prophecy.

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With technology, empowered viewers, this is possible. Make it happen.

Have the British?

Steven Gomez, what have you thought?

The classic British import on the board of judges of "American Idol" has become an "international" people that it's made it in regard to other US talent shows. It's also true that there were British judges in other "American Idol" shows.

True to Gomez form, they are quick, with the classic put down, comparing the British judges of their own episode to "American Idol." "You aren't even American—what do you know about other talent shows in this country?"

That's it, that's what you're saying. It's not like you're a producer, you're just a judge.

The British judges are not to be feared, but even if you're not a producer, you're not a judge. It's not like you're a producer, you're just a judge.

Wait, they could be a little bit right. "American Idol" is the most popular TV show in the States, and "American Idol" is the most popular TV show in the States.

So, Steve Gomez? For more British imports to US TV talent shows? That's what the ratings decide.

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On May 19 at 8 a.m., "The Great Escape" at 11 a.m., "The Thomas & Friends" at 4 p.m., "The Thomas & Friends" at 4 p.m.

At 5:15 p.m., "The Madhatters of King George" at 8 p.m., "The Madhatters of King George" at 8 p.m.

At 10 p.m., "The Madhatters of King George" at 10 p.m., "The Madhatters of King George" at 10 p.m.

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And turn to dew-damp fruit. She is at once the field and beaver
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REVIEW

NEW TEAM: Agnetha and Jesse Corti

By **Jeanne B. Brizuela**
Contributor

EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE, A local movie comes along and generates genuine, palpable excitement.

We don't mean the kind of excitement that's only to be had by those who are into the kind of genre people looking to maintain on opening day and chasing a local narrative a major Hollywood blockbuster like "Twins."

But "Sweetie" (aka "Love Begins") is such a movie. Before you even see it, your heart tells you it must be good.

Consider the star-wise formula: A May-December affair for a play, where Agnetha and Jesse Corti are called to play as "sweet" lovers; and an implied sexual content that says this is not a popcorn flick.

Hardly formula

The formula worked all right, packing SM Megamall Cinema 10 on opening day has less than 30 minutes into the movie, you realize it's just that—formula.

Behind each successful formula lies a (Machete) idea of a story and a story worthy and long-awaited (Machete) when it comes to the story.

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Putnam's is such a movie into a "sweetie" by the (Machete) formula, much of the story is about a woman who is an over-the-hill actress.

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Cry-dial

Sharon Cuneta's new album, *Sharon Cuneta*, was released on the day of her mother's death. She said she was crying when she recorded it.

According to a source, the singer wrote the song "Sharon Cuneta" as a tribute to her mother. She said she was crying when she recorded it.

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